

City of West Lafayette, Indiana
Board of Public Works and Safety
MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015
8:30 a.m.
Morton Community Center
Multi-Purpose Room

Members present were Sana G. Booker, Bradley L. Cohen, Brooke E. Folkers, and Jonathan C. Speaker. Mayor Dennis presided.

Mayor Dennis, who was absent at the September 1 meeting, welcomed Mr. Cohen to the Board.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 1, 2015, Meeting

Ms. Folkers moved to accept the minutes of the September 1, 2015, Board of Works meeting. Mr. Speaker seconded the motion

The motion was adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Proclamation: Constitution Week 2015 – Mayor

Mayor Dennis stated that in conjunction with this Constitution Week proclamation, there is also an event at Purdue University where local officials play a game with constitution questions. He spoke of it goes along with the naturalization ceremony, and it highlights what those who are being naturalized know versus what those who were born here have forgotten.

**PROCLAMATION
Constitution Week 2015**

Whereas, September 17, 2015 marks the two hundred and twenty-seventh anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document and the anniversary of its creation; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and

Whereas, public law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as constitution week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Dennis, Mayor of the City of West Lafayette do hereby proclaim September 17 through 23, 2015 to be

CONSTITUTION WEEK

BOARD OF WORKS MINUTES, September 8, 2015, CONTINUED

In West Lafayette, and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of West Lafayette, Indiana on this 8th day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty eighth and of the State of Indiana the 19th state in the United States of America.

b. Elevation: Firefighter Second Class – Travis Bender – Fire

Fire Chief requested approval to elevate Travis Bender to Firefighter Second Class effective September 16, 2015, with a bi-weekly salary of \$2,026.90.

Ms. Booker moved that the elevation for Travis Bender be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

c. Hire: Firefighter – Joshua Dowell – Fire

Chief Heath requested approval to hire Joshua Dowell as a probationary firefighter effective September 18, 2015, with a bi-weekly salary of \$1,859.90.

Mr. Speaker moved that the hire of Joshua Dowell be approved. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

d. Hire: Part-Time Lab Intern – Shane Watson – WWTU

WWTU Director Henderson requested approval to hire Shane Watson as a part-time lab intern effective September 9, 2015, at a rate of \$8.00 per hour.

Ms. Booker moved that the hire of Shane Watson be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

e. Street Closings: Columbia Street, Northwestern Avenue, South Street – Police

Police Sergeant Philhower requested approval of street closures for the Starry Night Music & Arts Festival on portions of Columbia Street, Northwestern Avenue, and South Street from noon on October 3 to 1:00 a.m. on October 4.

Mayor Dennis confirmed with Chief Heath that the Fire Department is good with the closing.

Mr. Speaker moved that the aforementioned street closures be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

f. 2014 SRF Loan Disbursement Request No. 25: Sheraton and Fairway Knolls Lift Station Project – Wessler Engineering – WWTU

Director Henderson requested approval of 2014 SRF Loan Disbursement Request No. 25 to Wessler Engineering in the amount of \$15,171.00. He explained that this is for services of the inspector.

Ms. Booker moved that the 2014 SRF Loan Disbursement Request No. 25 be approved.
Mr. Speaker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

g. Claims

i. AP Docket	\$325,467.30
ii. AP Docket	\$302,252.85
iii. AP Docket	\$36,000.00
iv. AP Docket	\$3,141.96
v. AP Docket	\$330.94
vi. PR Docket	\$530,753.94

Mr. Speaker moved that the claims be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

There were no questions or comments about the claims.

The motion was adopted.

h. Informational Items

i. Project Payment List – WWTU

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

ii. Legal Budget & Expenses – Clerk-Treasurer

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

iii. Park Board Dockets

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

i. Other Items

► Councilor Burch reported that there is a Council meeting tonight. She reported that Art on the Wabash is on September 20,

► Engineering Assistant Garrison stated that there are not a lot of changes to City road conditions; however, northbound I-65 is open. He noted that detour signs are still up while traffic readjusts.

Mayor Dennis asked the Police Department to keep vigilant.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Speaker moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Mayor Dennis adjourned the meeting.